

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1543-02
Bill No.: HB 606
Subject: Recorder of Deeds: Procedures, Recordings
Type: Original
Date: February 23, 2001

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Local Government	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Economic Development- Missouri Housing Development Commission** assume there would be no fiscal impact to their Commission.

Officials of the **Office of Secretary of State** assumes there would be no fiscal impact to their office.

Officials of the **Counties Employees' Retirement System (CERF)** stated that the retirement system receives \$6 for each recorder document filing. Officials assume this proposal would allow counties to accept one filing for transactions that involve multiple assignments or releases. Therefore, officials assume the following: 1) that, 17% of all recorder document filings are releases, and 12% of all filings are assignments; 2) of those filings, 10% of all releases involve multiple filings, and 3) 75% of all assignments are multiple filings. Officials stated that based on the combination of these assumptions, they believe that approximately 15% of all document recorder fees are multiple filings. When there is a multiple filing, officials assume it involves an average of three documents. Based on data available to CERF on the annual growth rate in number of filings, their Consultants projected the amount of loss of income in FY 2002 at \$777,000; in FY 2003 at \$812,000; and in FY 2004 \$849,000.

Officials of the **Cass County Recorder of Deeds Office** stated that if the Recorder does not require separate documents, the County Employees' Retirement System would realize a loss of income.

Officials of the **Callaway County Recorder of Deeds Office** assume that this proposal could increase Callaway County's General Revenue due to the addition of pages to documents , which are currently one page. Officials estimate income at \$1,500 annually.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2002
(6 Mo.)

FY 2003

FY 2004

**COUNTY GENERAL REVENUE
FUND**

Income to County General Revenue
from Recorder of Deeds Fees

Unknown

Unknown

Unknown

*** The County Employees Retirement System is not a political subdivision of the State,
therefore, fiscal impact to their fund is not included.**

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This bill sets a standard format for documents which are recorded by a county recorder of deeds.
The new standard format also applies to the St. Louis Recorder of Deeds.
The bill has an effective date of January 1, 2002.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not
require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Secretary of State
Department of Economic Development- Missouri Housing Commission
County Employees' Retirement System
Cass County Recorder of Deeds
Callaway County Recorder of Deeds

NOT RESPONDING

County Recorder of Deeds of : Boone, Greene, Platte, Clay, Taney, Marion, Cape Girardeau, and
the Director of Records of Jackson County, and St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeanne Jarrett". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a cursive "e" at the end.

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Director
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